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DelGobbo Receives Franklin Johnson, Sr. Outstanding Citizenship Award



Rep. Kevin M. DelGobbo, R-70th, Naugatuck, was the recipient of the Franklin Johnson, Sr., Outstanding Citizenship Award presented at a breakfast ceremony held this morning in Naugatuck.

The award is named after Franklin Johnson, Sr., who is a long time teacher, counselor and supporter of numerous community endeavors. Mr. Johnson is particularly well known for his leadership in the veterans' community and as one of the principal organizers of the Naugatuck Memorial Day Parade, among the largest celebrations of its kind in the nation.

The proceeds of the award ceremony benefited Naugatuck's Howard Whittemore Library. More than \$1,000 was raised at the event to help support library activities including access to a new historical data base which will allow users to research newspapers from across the nation dating back to the 1700s.

DelGobbo was selected not only for his work as a state legislator representing Naugatuck, but also for his numerous volunteer efforts in the community.

Rep. DelGobbo said, "I am deeply honored to have received this award and particularly to be associated with the name of Frank Johnson. Mr. Johnson is just an amazing individual, not only for what he has done but also in his ability to inspire others. Through him, I have learned that citizenship is not a passive act, but it means rolling up your sleeves and doing what you can to support the community around you."